

Division: Public Services

Program Characteristics:

Program Description

Summary: East County libraries (East County Library, Fairview-Columbia, Rockwood, and Troutdale) provide information services and staff support seven days a week, offering collections, space to gather, publicly accessible computers, public wi-fi, and support for programming and events. These libraries embody Multnomah County Library values by providing equitable and inclusive spaces and services, including culturally relevant outreach to Black, Indigenous, Russian, and Spanish-speaking users.

Program activity: Core activities focus on identified needs such as technology access and assistance, collection access, information access and material pickup. Services are culturally and language-specific, including storytimes, youth literacy, and adult classes (ESL, citizenship, computer use, and technology training).

East County libraries' language and educational programs improve employment and quality of life for those with low English proficiency and limited resources. Staff prioritize critical life skill development and digital literacy through services like tech access, one-on-one tech help, job search assistance, literacy resources, and classes for youth and adults.

The new East County Library will be fully online in FY 2027. This location will be a 95,000 square foot space, which includes a 200+ seat auditorium; an AV studio and makerspace with specialized technology; multiple community rooms of different sizes; dedicated teen and family spaces; sensory rooms; outdoor spaces including a rooftop terrace; a 190,000-item collection; and a 23-bin automated materials handling sorting system.

Equity Statement

This Library program commits to dismantling systemic inequities through open, barrier-free access and equitable service delivery at all locations. The Library allocates resources and designs services to serve all community members, especially those who have been historically marginalized.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$0	\$9,430,920	\$0	\$9,331,546
Contractual Services	\$0	\$2,846	\$0	\$3,174
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$121,413	\$0	\$87,830
Internal Services	\$0	\$1,690,997	\$0	\$2,384,033
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$11,246,176	\$0	\$11,806,583
Total Expenses:	\$11,246,176		\$11,806,583	
Program FTE	0.00	73.50	0.00	67.25
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Number of Library visits	345,793	302,000	392,000
Circulation (checkouts and renewals)	1,445,031	1,177,000	1,550,000